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Senate Resolution 525

By: Senator Thomas of the 2nd

## **A RESOLUTION**

- 1 Commending and expressing appreciation to the SkyeLite Jazz Band of Savannah Arts
- 2 Academy; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, the SkyeLite Jazz Band of Savannah Arts Academy is an accomplished and
- 4 widely heralded musical group which reflects great credit on the State of Georgia; and
- 5 WHEREAS, this outstanding group, under the direction of Mr. Michael Hutchinson and
- 6 guidance of Dr. John Bradley, has gone on to great success, including among many other
- 7 performances those given by the band in London, England; at the Olympic Trials Opening
- 8 Ceremony and the Olympic Closing Ceremony in Savannah; on the steps of the United States
- 9 Capitol; and in the State Days Series at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts;
- 10 and
- WHEREAS, the band has previously been designated as Official Ambassadors of Goodwill
- 12 by President Clinton and Governor Zell Miller; and
- WHEREAS, the band performed at the Georgia Reception at the 2000 Southern Legislative
- 14 Conference in Biloxi, Mississippi, and performed at the State Dinner when Georgia hosted
- 15 the 2001 Southern Legislative Conference in Savannah; and
- 16 WHEREAS, the band also performed at the State Capitol for Savannah-Chatham Day on
- 17 January 24, 2001; and
- 18 WHEREAS, members of the SkyeLite Jazz Band were invited by a representative of the
- 19 U.S.-China Cultural and Educational Foundation to perform in Chengdu and Beijing, China,
- in June of 2004; and

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1 WHEREAS, the SkyeLite Jazz Band most recently has been invited to perform in San

- 2 Francisco, California, at the National School Board Association's (NSBA) 67th Annual
- 3 Conference and Exhibition April 15, 2007.
- 4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that this body hereby
- 5 commends and expresses appreciation to the SkyeLite Jazz Band of Savannah Arts Academy
- 6 for its many outstanding accomplishments and its important contributions to the State of
- 7 Georgia.
- 8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 9 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the SkyeLite Jazz Band.